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SUBJ: ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE: SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES ISSUE

REF: A. KUALA LUMPUR 2990; B. MANILA 7559

1. FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT RESOLUTION ON WOUTHERN PHILIPPINES
APPROVED BY FONMINS' CONF JUNE 25:

BEGIN TEXT: "RESOLUTION NO. 18 RESOLUTION ON THE PLIGHT OF
FILIPINO MUSLIMS.

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PREAMBULAR. THE FIFTH ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

HELD IN KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIAN FROM 21 ST JUNE TO 25 TH JUNE,
1974.

2. RECALLING RESOLUTION NO. 4 ADOPTED BY THE FOURTH ISLAMIC
CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS AT BENGHAZI IN MARCH 1973;

3. HAVING CONSIDERED THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE SPECIAL MISSION
COMPOSED OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF LIBYA, SAUDI ARABIA, SENEGAL
AND SOMALIA PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 4 ADOPTED BY THE FOURTH
CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS AT BENGHAZI;

4. EXPRESSING DEEP APPRECIATION OF THE EFFORTS OF THE ABOVE-
MENTIONED SPECIAL MISSION;

5. CONSCIOUS OF THE COMPLEXITY OF THE PROBLEM AS IT RELATES TO
AN INDEPENDENT AND SOVEREIGN STATE BUT AT THE SAME TIME CONCERNED
AT THE TRAGIC PLIGHT OF THE FILIPINO MUSLIMS;

OPERATIVE.

1. EXPRESSES ITS DEEP AND CONTINUING ANXIETY OVER THE SITUATION
PREVAILING AMONG THE FILIPINO MUSLIMS AND THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES;

2. CALL UPON THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO DESIST FROM ALL
MEASURES WHICH RESULT IN THE KILLING OF MUSLIMS AND THE DESTRUC-
TIONS OF THEIR PROPERTIES AND PLACES OF WORSHIP IN THE SOUTHERN
PHILIPPINES.

3. TAKES NOTE OF THE STEPS TAKEN BY THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT
TO IMPROVE THE CONDITION OF MUSLIMS BUT IS
CONVINCED THAT THE
SOCIO-ECONOMIC MEASURES PROPOSED BY THE PHILIPPINES GOVERNMENT
WILL NOT BY THEMSELVES RESOLVE THE PROBLEM.

4. URGES THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO FIND A POLITICAL AND
PEACEFUL SOLUTION THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS WITH MUSLIM LEADERS,
INCLUDING THE MNLF IN ORDER TO ARRIVE AT A JUST SOLUTION TO THE
PLIGHT OF THE FILIPINO MUSLIMS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE
NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE PHILIPPINES.

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5. CALLS ON THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO BRING ABOUT THE NECES-
SARY CLIMATE OF CONFIDENCE FOR A REAL AND JUST SOLUTION BY IMME-
DIATELY DESISTING FROM MILITARY OPERATIONS, PROVIDING PROTECTION
AND SECURITY FOR THE MUSLIMS, REPATRIATING REFUGEES TO THEIR HOMES,
AND HALTING ORGANIZED CHRISTIAN MIGRATION FROM THE NORTH.

6. APPEALS TO PEACE-LOVING STATES AND RELIGIOUS AND INTERNATIONAL
AUTHORITIES, WHILE RECOGNIZING THE PROBLEM AS AN INTERNAL PROBLEM

OF THE PHILIPPINES, TO USE THEIR GOOD OFFICES WITH THE PHILIPPINES GOVERNMENT TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF FILIPINO MUSLIMS AND THE PRESERVATION OF THEIR LIBERTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

7. DECIDES TO ESTABLISH A BODY TO BE CALLED THE FILIPINO MUSLIM WELFARE AND RELIEF AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING WELFARE AND RELIEF AID DIRECTED TO MUSLIMS IN THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES SO AS TO AMELIORATE THEIR PLIGHT AND RAISE THEIR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING EMANATING FROM THE ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND AND UNDER ITS SUPERVISION.

8. APPEALS TO MEMBER COUNTRIES AND OTHERS TO CONTRIBUTE GENEROUSLY IN CASH OR IN KIND TO THE AGENCY FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF PURPOSES.

9. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS (THE COMMITTEE OF FOUR), TO TAKE STEPS TO DISCUSS WITH THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT THE MODALITIES AND TERMS OF COOPERATION IN THE WORK OF THE AGENCY.

10. DECIDES THAT THE SPECIAL MISSION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS ESTABLISHED IN PURSUANCE OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 4 OF THE FOURTH ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL REMAIN IN BEING TO PURSUE THIS MATTER FURTHER.

11. DECIDES TO REVIEW THIS SUBJECT AGAIN AT THE NEXT ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS.

12. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT." END TEXT.

2. PRELIMINARY EMBASSY COMMENTS:
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UNTIL WE ARE ABLE TO PULL TOGETHER LOOSE THREADS OF DEBATE ON SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES ISSUE, WE CAN ONLY VENTURE PRELIMINARY OBSERVATION THAT MARCOS GOVERNMENT IS NOT LIKELY TO BE PLEASED WITH FONMIN'S ACTION, BUT DAMAGE COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH GREATER. PRIVATE COMMENTS AND STATEMENTS TO NEWSMEN BY LIBYANS CONCERNING "GENOCIDE", "MARCOS THE MURDERER" AND DETERMINATION TO BACK UP MNLF TO BITTER END, INCLUDING SUPPLIES OF ARMS AND MONEY, WERE NOT ALLOWED TO INTRUDE ON RESOLUTION DUE TO INDONESIAN PULLING ON BEHALF OF MARCOS GOVERNMENT AND GENERALLY MODERATE POSITIONS TAKEN BY MALAYSIANS, SAUDI ARABIANS, EGYPTIANS AND SOME OTHER ASIAN DELEGATIONS.
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